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SUBJECT: FOLLOW-UP TO US INITIATIVES AT MEXICO CITY MFN;

INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

REF: STATE 64548 (AIDAC)

1. AS REQUESTED EMBASSY HAS DISCUSSED ISSUE CONTAINED IN REFTTEL WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL DIRECTLY CONCERNED WITH QUESTION OF TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER, WHO ALSO REPRESENTED PARAGUAY AT RECENT IA-ECOSOC MEETING IN QUITO.

2. FONMIN OFFICIAL STATED THAT PARAGUAY SUPPORTED ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AD HOC GROUP TO STUDY QUESTION OF HOW BEST TO HANDLE ENTIRE QUESTION OF TECHNOLOGY UTILIZATION, MANAGEMENT, TRAINING AND INFORMATION, AND TO PREPARE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A SUBSEQUENT COMMISSION PROPOSAL.

3. FONMIN OFFICIAL STATED THAT PARAGUAYAN FOREIGN MINISTER SAPENA PASTOR WILL BE FULLY BRIEFED AND PREPARED TO DEAL WITH THIS ISSUE AT WASHINGTON MFN APRIL 17-18. IN GENERAL TERMS, HE STATED THAT PARAGUAY FAVORED MAXIMUM UTILIZATION OF EXISTING MULTILATERAL ORGANIZATIONS (SPECIFICALLY THE OAS, ALTHOUGH THEY WOULD NOT BE OPPOSED TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY. PRINCIPLE PARAGUAYAN CONCERN IS TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT LDCS SUCH AS PARAGUAY RECEIVE ADEQUATE ASSISTANCE AT APPROPRIATE LEVEL IN WHATEVER TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS ARE DEVELOPED FOR LATIN AMERICA.

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